

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0046] as follows:

[0046] Figs. 14a and b is a diagram of bias circuits and delay lines according to the prior art.

Please amend paragraph [0071] as follows:

[0071] In [f]Figure 14a, a [two] prior art voltage control bias circuit[s] and VCDL[s] [are] is shown. In a [the first of these] circuit[s] 500, delay lines consist of a positive bias line 554 and a negative bias line 552. The positive bias line 554 is coupled to a current mirror consisting of transistors 512 & 514. The negative bias line 552 is coupled to a current mirror consisting of a transistor 520. Transistor 512 is coupled via a resistor 516 to a voltage to current converter 526 formed of a transistor 518 and resistor 522. The circuit is biased by a lower voltage 524 coupled to resistor 522 and transistor 520 and a higher voltage coupled to the transistors 512 and 514. The input voltage 550 is coupled to transistor 518. The purpose of resistor 516 is to limit the maximum frequency of operation. Phase offset information is asserted as the charge pump voltage onto the input 550.

Please amend paragraph [0072] as follows:

[0072] In Figure 14b [As] an alternative to circuit 500 is shown. A circuit 502 consists of a positive bias line 554 and a negative bias line 552. The negative bias line 552 is coupled to a current mirror consisting of transistors 528 & 530. The positive bias line 554 is coupled to a current mirror consisting of a transistor 536. Transistor 528 is coupled via a resistor 532 to a voltage to current converter 540 formed of a transistor 534 and resistor 538. The circuit is biased by a lower voltage 524 coupled to the transistors 528 and 530 and a higher voltage coupled to resistor 538 and transistor 536. The input voltage 550 is

coupled to transistor **534**. The purpose of resistor **532** is to limit the maximum frequency of operation. Phase offset information is asserted as the charge pump voltage onto the input **550**. The difficulty with both the prior art bias circuits is a vulnerability to process mismatch distorting the response of the delay line. This contributes to jitter.